

GUARD'S SLAYER IS HANGED AT PONTIAC, ILL.

GOVERNOR AND FORMER TREASURERS LOSE PLEA

COURT ORDER TRIAL TO
COLLECT INTEREST
MUST PROCEED

DENIES DEMURRER

JUDGE JONES RULES AGAINST EX-
ECUTIVE AND THREE DEFEN-
DANTS ACCUSED OF WITHHOLD-
ING FUNDS BELONGING TO ILLI-
NOIS.

Springfield, Dec. 15.—Trial of the civil suits against Governor Small and two other state officials, will proceed. Demurrers against the bill for discovery, filed during Governor Small's trial, at Waukegan, were denied in the Circuit Court here this morning by Judge Norman L. Jones of Carrollton.

The suit charged that the governor, lieutenant governor and state auditor withheld interest money on state funds, while they occupied the office of state treasurer.

Although declaring the treasurers act of 1908 invalid, Judge Jones ruled that it is the state treasurer's duty to take and safely keep all state monies entrusted to him and to account for both principal and interest to the state. The judge also held, the legislature is without power to designate where state money shall be deposited or how much interest shall be collected.

Governor Len Small expressed pleasure this morning at the "partial victory" won by the ruling of Circuit Judge Jones which held the treasurer's act of 1908 unconstitutional. "It will relieve me of a lot of annoyances," the governor said. "I am pestered continually. These suits, the same as the trial at Waukegan, are nothing but persecution."

THREE CHILDREN IN COURT; MOTHER IS DEAD; DEPENDENT

UNFORTUNATE TRIO TAKEN BE-
FORE JUDGE RECK ON PETITION
TO HAVE COUNTY ASSUME
THEIR CARE.

A dependency hearing was held before Judge B. Harry Reck in the county court this afternoon for Josephine, Dominic, Alfred and Duth Lannutti of Cedar Point. The mother of the children is dead. A petition asking that they be declared dependent was filed by Miss Marie Daley, Streator probation officer. The children range in age from 17 to 4 years.

Josephine, the oldest girl, has been at the detention home for several weeks. It was she who ran away from the home in company with Letitia Kennedy, one day last week. The girls were located in Streator and brought back to the home.

Witness Recalled to Stand.
Alfred Kinder was recalled to the witness stand in the circuit court this morning to refresh his testimony in the \$290,000 limestone rights case, which has been on trial all week. The action was brought by the Kinder heirs against the La Salle County Carbon Coal Co.

Asks \$750 Damages.
Edward G. Rosenke of La Salle started a \$750 trespass case against Joseph L. Wells of the same city, in the circuit court this morning. Attorney J. E. Malone Jr. is representing the defendant.

Complete Pavement.
A certificate of completion of the improvement of streets south of blocks 8 and 9 in the east end addition of the city of Peru, was confirmed in the county court by Judge Reck this morning.

ATTY. GEN. BRUNDAGE TAKEN TO HOSPITAL

Chicago, Dec. 15.—Attorney General Brundage, who left the Heroin nine riot trial at Marion yesterday when threatened with appendicitis, was under observation today in the Illinois Masonic hospital here. It was said, he is suffering from acute catarrhal appendicitis and that from twenty-four to forty-eight hours will be required before it will be known whether an operation is necessary.

3 MORE PRISONERS ADDED TO LIST OF CO. JAIL IN MATES

LA SALLE JUDGES SEND UP TRIO
TO HELP SWELL BASTILLE'S
RAPIDLY DWINDLING POPULA-
TION.

Prisoners in the county jail were increased by three men last night, all of whom had been ordered held by La Salle justices of the peace. The trio were brought to Ottawa and lodged in the county tribunal by Sheriff E. J. Welter and Deputy Rasmus Benson.

W. D. Nichol, aged about 23, is to be held to the grand jury on a charge of passing checks without having the funds in the bank to pay for them. Nichol is held under \$1,000 bonds. It is said he gave a \$25 check in payment for a bill at a La Salle hotel, which the bank on which it was drawn refused to pay.

Nichol was arrested in Sterling, and brought back to La Salle, the first of the week. His home is in Bloomington.

Charles Howard, aged 35, was given a ninety-day sentence by a La Salle justice yesterday on a drunkenness charge. He was the second member of the trio placed in the county jail last night.

The third man, was John Meyers, aged 34, who had also been given a ninety-day jail sentence yesterday on a drunkenness charge, and was placed in the county jail last night.

Both men are serving out \$300 fines.

Robert Stone, aged about 55, who was placed under arrest in June in Mendota, when a big run was found in his pocket a few minutes after he was taken from a train, was released from the county jail yesterday after serving a sentence of six months on a charge of carrying concealed weapons.

Want Nichol in Peoria.
Sheriff Welter received a message from Peoria today informing him that Nichol was wanted in that city, on a similar charge for which he has been jailed here, of drawing a check without funds in the bank. The Peoria county authorities asked that Nichol be turned over to them, as soon as he was released from custody in Ottawa.

Drag Canal for Body
of Woman Believed
to Have Been Killed

Chicago, Dec. 15.—Simultaneous questioning by thirty detectives after nearly 100 hours of almost constant grilling, police announced today, caused Arthur Foster, held in connection with the alleged death of Mrs. Kate Trostle, a telephone office manager, to change his story of yesterday and enlarge it with additional details.

Foster, it was said, told them to drag the south branch of the Chicago river about 100 yards from the spot where he said yesterday Mrs. Trostle committed suicide after a quarrel with him.

While searchers were to continue dragging the river and the drainage canal for the body of the missing woman, Foster was to appear in court in connection with a habeas corpus proceeding filed by relatives. Police expressed a desire to hold Foster for further questioning and indicated they would oppose the action.

ARMY OFFICER HELD ON BIGAMY CHARGE

Chicago, Dec. 15.—Captain Charles Pike, a physician attached to the United States marine hospital here, today was held in the Lake county jail at Crown, Ind., awaiting a hearing on a charge of bigamy after having been torn from his bride of six weeks last night.

The bigamy charge was preferred by a woman who said she was Mrs. Marjorie Pike, of Colorado, who was accompanied by an attorney and father of Pike's bride, who was said to be in a hysterical condition.

The case is said to be the outgrowth of Attorney Heile's opposition to his daughter's marriage to Pike. The latter is said to have frankly told Mr. Heile and the young woman before the marriage of a common law wife.

GETTING UNCOMFORTABLY CROWDED



10 HOURS' TIME SEES MERCURY PLUNGE DOWN 19 DEGREES

SUDDEN SHIFT BRINGS 4 ABOVE
ZERO CLIMATE — THERMOMETER
AT 5 O'CLOCK YESTERDAY
AFTERNOON REGISTERED 23.

While most unofficial thermometers dropped down below the zero mark last night, the official temperature gauge of government weather observer, C. J. Markhus, principal of Pleasant View Lutheran college, showed that the weather did not get colder than four degrees above zero. This was a drop of nineteen degrees in less than ten hours.

At 5 o'clock last evening the thermometer stood at the twenty-three above mark. At an early hour this morning it had dropped down to four above. Moderation during the day was slow at 10 o'clock this morning the mercury only having risen to the eight above mark.

Two Below at Dixon.
Dixon, Ill., Dec. 15.—A temperature of 2 below zero, the coldest of the winter, was officially recorded here during the night.

Cold is General.
Chicago, Dec. 15.—Heavy precipitation, either snow or rain, in portions of virtually every state except Florida, with a particularly heavy snow fall in the lower lake region, giving Chicago its first snow of any consequence this season and the first heavy snow fall of the year in New York marked the progress of winter over the United States.

Chicago's snow fall measured about one-half inch. But it left the streets slippery and three persons were killed and three injured in automobile accidents. Dozens of persons were injured, ships crashed in the harbor and a fuel famine threatened as a result of New York's first heavy snow storm this year. Extra police were placed on guard at lumber yards to keep the cold sufferers from depleting the yards.

While temperatures were higher in the center and south of the state, it remained unusually cold in the northwestern region, and was colder in the upper Mississippi valley northwestward to Colorado and the Texas panhandle. Subzero temperatures were predicted for Nebraska, Iowa and South Dakota, heralding another cold wave for these states. It was forecast that the thermometer would drop to 10 below. Sleet covered a large part of Kansas and northwestern Missouri.

\$50,000 Gem Theft.
Chicago, Dec. 15.—Insurance company detectives today were investigating the disappearance of \$50,000 in jewelry from the home of M. J. Spiegel, owner of a furniture store. Loss of the articles was discovered yesterday by Mrs. Spiegel as she opened her jewelry box to replace a necklace.

SHOT SQUIRRELS OUT OF SEASON; COST HIM \$55

Merek Jaklovich, 600 W. Superior street, was arrested yesterday afternoon, in some timber about four miles north of Ottawa by Deputy Fish and Game Warden, Henry J. Kern, of Chicago. Jaklovich was charged with violating section 31, of the Illinois Fish and Game act, which forbids the shooting of squirrels out of season. The open season for squirrels closed Dec. 1, but Jaklovich claimed he didn't know it.

Jaklovich was caught redhanded and had the squirrels in his possession. He was brought to Ottawa for trial and arraigned before Judge Geo. Keonig, yesterday afternoon. He pleaded guilty to the charges of violating the game laws. A fine of \$15 and costs was assessed against him, which he paid.

The two deputy wardens are now in this section watching for law violators and they are being assisted by the deputies of this district.

SERENA POSTMISTRESS BRIDE OF LOUIS BRUER

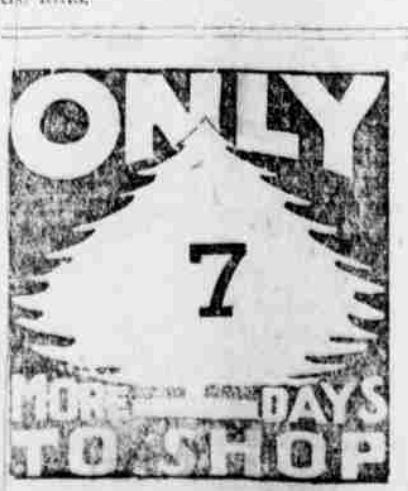
Miss Marie A. Claude, the postmistress at Serena, and Louis Bruer, a well known Serena farmer, were quietly united in marriage in this city yesterday. The ceremony occurred at 3 o'clock, at the parsonage of the First Methodist church in this city. Rev. H. F. Lawler officiated.

They were unattended. The bride was handsomely attired in a blue traveling suit, with a hat to match.

After the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Bruer left for a short honeymoon, after which they will make their home in Serena.

TWO MORE DIE IN KY. MOONSHINE BATTLE

Lexington, Ky., Dec. 15.—Prohibition Agent Sam Collins received word today that Sam Ballard, leader of the Manatee county moonshine gang, sought for the slaying of two federal officers last week, was killed in an early morning battle with twenty prohibition agents. Guy Cole, prohibition agent, was slain in the clash, the report said. Charles Ballard, also sought, was wounded, but escaped to the hills.



CANOE TRAVELERS PASS THRU OTTAWA ON WAY TO FLORIDA

MR. AND MRS. W. E. HALL START
LONG JAUNT TO SUNNY SOUTH-
ERN CLIMATE TO ESCAPE JACK
FROST AND OLD MAN WINTER.

Two thousand miles or more in a canoe with the mercury bobbing around the zero mark is the trip Mr. and Mrs. William E. Hall, an ambitious Chicago pair, set out to make, leaving Chicago Tuesday with a final destination of Jacksonville, Fla.

The young couple arrived in Ottawa about 12 o'clock Wednesday and paused for a few minutes in the shadows of the Illinois river bridge to cook and eat their noon day repast. Although they were only here a few minutes that was all the time it took a few inquirers to gain all the facts of the couple's journey.

According to their own story on Sunday, Dec. 10, they started talking about the trip and by 5 o'clock that night they made up their minds to take the trip. Sunday night they spent bidding their friends good-bye and Monday was spent in getting ready for the big trip. Tuesday morning they bade farewell to the Windy City and started for Florida, the land of the warm sun. The first day is hard on any travelers and the portage around the dam at Marseilles made them a little late in arriving here.

From Ottawa they continued on down the Illinois river and from it they will float into the Mississippi. Thence they will paddle out into the Gulf of Mexico and around Florida to Jacksonville, where they can spend the large share of the early 1923 winter in the same territory as the millionaires who come overland in luxurious Pullmans.

The canoeists were not heavily laden with baggage for two small bundles in the center of their sixteen foot craft was all the baggage they carried. They say it is not necessary to visit the towns on their way for they need to purchase but few supplies as most of their livelihood will come from a 12 gauge shot gun that lay in the bottom of the boat.

REV. MACWHORTER TO PREACH HERE SUNDAY

Rev. Hugh MacWhorter, rector of Andrew's church at Downers Grove, who recently accepted the call to Christ church in this city, will be in Ottawa on Sunday, Dec. 17, to conduct services at Christ church. Rev. MacWhorter will not come to Ottawa to reside until the latter part of January.

Fooled Her Finger.
Mary Ellen pinched her finger in a door. She almost cried. Then she smiled, held up another finger, and said "Oh, my!"

Maple Tree's Production.
The average maple tree yields enough sap to produce from five to ten pounds of sugar.

DOOMED MAN GOES TO DEATH DENYING HE KILLED VICTIM

Pontiac, Dec. 15.—Myron Corbridge, 21, was hanged at 9:05 this morning for the murder last June of John F. Jones, a reformatory guard.

LOCAL EX-SOLDIERS TO RECEIVE BONUS ABOUT MARCH 17TH

COMMANDER TOM O'MEARA OF
OTTAWA POST ADVISED STATE
WILL NOT BE READY TO PAY
SERVICE MEN FOR TWO OR
THREE MONTHS.

President Thomas O'Meara of Ottawa post No. 33, of the American Legion, announced today all ex-service men should either get their honorable discharges from the army out and dust them up, ready to make application for their bonus. According to Mr. O'Meara the bonus will not come as a Christmas gift, a New Year's greeting or even a valentine, but will be received around St. Patrick's day.

In order to secure the bonus, he stated today it is necessary to have either an ex-soldier's honorable discharge, or a certificate in lieu thereof, a copy of which can be forwarded with the bonus application. He urged all soldiers today in case they had lost their discharge and did not have a certificate in lieu thereof, to get in touch with Mrs. John Feehan, the home service secretary of the Red Cross, and to procure the needed certificate through that organization.

For the convenience of the Ottawa ex-service men, the Ottawa post, No. 33, has established a service committee, to assist the eligibles in making out their bonus applications properly. This committee will make out their bonus applications and forward them for the ex-soldiers. It will be necessary for all applicants to take the needed discharge or certificate to this committee to have their application made out.

"The Service Recognition Board" which was appointed by the state legislature, at a meeting in Springfield yesterday, adopted rules for the making of application for the bonus. These rules went to the printer today, and it is expected will be received by the officers of the American Legion in this city in a few days.

GOVERNORS FIGHT OVER KLAN-DRY LAW

White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., Dec. 15.—State executives attending the sixteenth annual conference of governors turned from conference discussions today to an inspection of coal mines near Beckley. Prohibition and the Ku Klux Klan questions brought a clash of views when the meeting was thrown open to debate about midnight after Governor Olcott of Oregon assailed the Klan as a national menace.

Governor Morrison of North Carolina opposed the introduction of either the Klan or prohibition questions which previously had been brought up by Governor Barker of Louisiana, who declared prohibition was almost a farce and that the Klan should be curbed by federal legislation.

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HARVEY ORDERED TO RETURN TO AMERICA

London, Dec. 15.—Although state officials today confirmed the London announcement that Ambassador Harvey had been called home for consultation, they declined to make any explanation as to the questions to be asked of him by Secretary Hughes.

The German ambassador conferred at length today with Hughes. As the conference was just in advance of the regular Friday cabinet meeting it is believed the Harvey recall was intended that the president and his officials might have before them all available information as to conditions in Germany as they relate to the problem of reparations payments.

REVIVAL MEETING TO CLOSE SUNDAY

The revival services, which have been in progress for the past six weeks, at the tabernacle of the Fair-field Good team, on west Main street, will come to a close on Sunday night. There will be services tonight, tomorrow night and Sunday, coming to a close on Sunday night. There have been a great many converts during the six weeks meeting.

CRAZED MAN SHOTS DOWN POLICE CHIEF

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 15.—Jacob Lyerie, chief of police of Schram City, near Hillsboro, was shot last night as he was attempting to make an arrest. Burt Hall has been arrested, accused of the shooting. Deputy Sheriff Wood, who arrested Hall, said the latter has driven his mother from his home and she had complained to the chief of police. Chief Lyerie was killed by the charge from a shotgun as he sought to open a door to the Hall home. Attending physicians say he cannot recover.